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ONLINE TOBACCO RETAILER PAYS \$6500 FOR TWO VERMONT SALES

An online seller of tobacco products doing business as AllofOurButts.com and

CigarettesAmerica.com agreed to pay the State of Vermont \$6,500.00 to settle claims that it

twice sold cigarettes into Vermont in violation of the state's ban on internet sales of tobacco

products. The operator of the websites, Robert A. Gordon of Salamanca, New York, signed a

consent decree approved by the Washington Superior Court that resolves the Attorney General's

complaint alleging two violations of the internet ban and Vermont's fire-safe cigarettes law.

Vermont's <u>internet ban</u> prohibits cigarettes, roll-your-own tobacco, little cigars, or snuff,

ordered or purchased by telephone, mail order, or through the internet, from being shipped to

anyone in Vermont other than a licensed seller or distributor. Vermont's fire-safe cigarettes law

requires all cigarettes in Vermont to meet minimum fire-safety standards and to be marked as

having met those standards.

For a list of settlements under Vermont's internet ban and other tobacco-related

information, visit: http://www.atg.state.vt.us/issues/consumer-protection/tobacco.php.